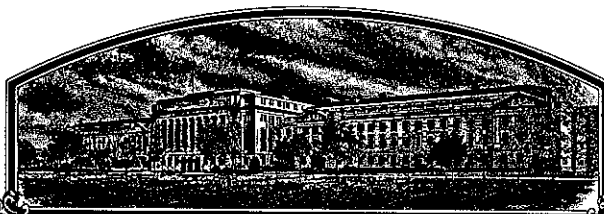


No.

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Northrup King Co.

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE
Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF *eighteen* YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT (7 U.S.C. 2321, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

SOYBEAN

'S39-99'



Attest

Kenneth A. Evans
Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Agricultural Marketing Service

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the seal of the Plant
Variety Protection Office to be affixed
at the City of Washington
this 31st day of October in
the year of our Lord one thousand nine
hundred and eighty-five.

John R. Block
Secretary of Agriculture

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

FORM APPROVED: OMB NO. 0681-0055

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

(Instructions on reverse)

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

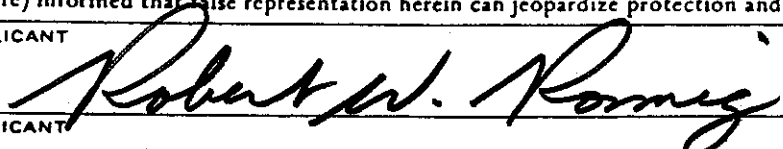
1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Northrup King Co.		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION J908624		3. VARIETY NAME S39-99	
4. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) P. O. Box 959 Minneapolis, MN 55440		5. PHONE (Include area code) 612-781-8011		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 8500118	
6. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME Glycine max		7. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) Leguminosae		FILING DATE 4/26/85 TIME 2:30 <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P.M.	
8. KIND NAME Soybean		9. DATE OF DETERMINATION March, 1984		FEE RECEIVED AMOUNT FOR FILING \$1,800 DATE 4/26/85 AMOUNT FOR CERTIFICATE \$200 DATE 9/16/85	
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON," GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (Corporation, partnership, association, etc.) Corporation				12. DATE OF INCORPORATION 1896	
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION Delaware					
13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS Robert W. Romig Northrup King Co. P. O. Box 959 Minneapolis, MN 55440 612-781-5305 PHONE (Include area code):					
14. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED					
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A, Origin and Breeding History of the Variety (See Section 52 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.)					
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B, Novelty Statement.					
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C, Objective Description of Variety (Request form from Plant Variety Protection Office.)					
d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D, Additional Description of Variety.					
e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E, Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Ownership.					
15. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," answer items 16 and 17 below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
16. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			17. IF "YES" TO ITEM 16, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED? <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Registered <input type="checkbox"/> Certified		
18. DID THE APPLICANT(S) PREVIOUSLY FILE FOR PROTECTION OF THE VARIETY IN THE U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," give date) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
19. HAS THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, OFFERED FOR SALE, OR MARKETING IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," give names of countries and dates) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
20. The applicant(s) declare(s) that a viable sample of basic seeds of this variety will be furnished with the application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable. The undersigned applicant(s) is (are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced novel plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act. Applicant(s) is (are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.					
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT 				DATE 4/23/85	
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT				DATE	

EXHIBIT A

Origin and Breeding History of the Variety

- 1976-78 The Northrup King soybean research group at Washington, IA made crosses between Phytophthora resistant F_3 plants selected from the crosses, 'S1492' x 'Mack' and S1492 x 'Lee 74' with those from the cross, 'S1346' x Mack. The resulting population was advanced to F_6 . In 1978, we harvested 100 plants and threshed them individually.
- 1979 We grew each of the 100 plant selections in an F_7 progeny row. One of these, numbered J908624, was selected on the basis of agronomic appearance and late Group III to early Group IV maturity to be tested in a preliminary yield trial. This line was subsequently named 'S39-99'.
- 1980-82 We tested S39-99 in replicated yield trials at several mid-western locations and found it to yield well in comparison to other late Group III and early Group IV varieties. We identified and confirmed the descriptive characteristics purple flower color, gray pubescence, brown pods, gray hilum color, and dull seed coat luster.
- We tested S39-99 for reaction to Race 3 of Phytophthora megasperma by inoculation of detached cotyledons and found it to be resistant. Subsequent testing with Races 1, 2, 7, (resistant), and 4 (susceptible), together with testing in fields where Phytophthora root rot was prevalent, confirm that S39-99 contains the Rps_1^C gene for resistance.
- In 1982, the Northrup King soybean research group at St. Joseph, IL began purification and seed increase from 500 grams of carefully hand-rogued seed. We removed all plants not conforming to the variety description by roguing the increase block several times. Growth and maturity were uniform.
- 1983-84 We continued to test S39-99 in advanced yield trials to confirm descriptive and performance characteristics.
- We grew Breeder Seed of S39-99 in 1983 from the initial increase made in 1982. The field was rogued several times. We produced Foundation Seed of S39-99 in 1984. The Iowa Crop Improvement Association inspected the field and found it to meet the requirements for Foundation Seed. S39-99 was approved for eligibility for certification by the National Soybean Variety Review Board on December 6, 1984.
- S39-99 is a stable and uniform soybean variety. We have observed no variants in five years of testing and three years of seed increase other than minor environmentally induced variation normally encountered in a soybean variety.
- We will maintain varietal purity by use of progeny rows as needed.

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EXHIBIT B

Novelty Statement for the Variety

Soybean variety S39-99 is most similar to Williams 79 and S39-93. It can be differentiated from Williams 79 on the basis of pubescence color. S39-99 has gray pubescence; Williams 79 has tawny pubescence. It can be differentiated from S39-93 on the basis of flower color. S39-99 has purple flowers; S39-93 has white flowers.

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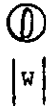
EXHIBIT C
 (Soybean)

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
 SOYBEAN (*Glycine max* L.)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Northrup King Co.	TEMPORARY DESIGNATION J908624	VARIETY NAME S39-99
ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) P. O. Box 959 Minneapolis, MN 55440 Attention: Robert W. Romig		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 8500118

Choose the appropriate response which characterizes the variety in the features described below. When the number of significant digits in your answer is fewer than the number of boxes provided, place a zero in the first box when number is 9 or less (e.g.,).

1. SEED SHAPE:



1 = Spherical (L/W, L/T, and T/W ratios = < 1.2)
 3 = Elongate (L/T ratio > 1.2; T/W = < 1.2)

2 = Spherical Flattened (L/W ratio > 1.2; L/T ratio = < 1.2)
 4 = Elongate Flattened (L/T ratio > 1.2; T/W > 1.2)

2. SEED COAT COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Yellow 2 = Green 3 = Brown 4 = Black 5 = Other (Specify) _____

3. SEED COAT LUSTER: (Mature Hand Shelled Seed)

1 = Dull ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton') 2 = Shiny ('Nebsoy'; 'Gasoy 17')

4. SEED SIZE: (Mature Seed)

Grams per 100 seeds

5. HILUM COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Buff 2 = Yellow 3 = Brown 4 = Gray 5 = Imperfect Black 6 = Black 7 = Other (Specify) _____

6. COTYLEDON COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Yellow 2 = Green

7. SEED PROTEIN PEROXIDASE ACTIVITY:

1 = Low 2 = High

8. SEED PROTEIN ELECTROPHORETIC BAND:

1 = Type A (SP1^a) 2 = Type B (SP1^b)

9. HYPOCOTYL COLOR:

1 = Green only ('Evans'; 'Davis') 2 = Green with bronze band below cotyledons ('Woodworth'; 'Tracy')
 3 = Light Purple below cotyledons ('Beeson'; 'Pickett 71')
 4 = Dark Purple extending to unifoliate leaves ('Hodgson'; 'Coker Hampton 266A')

10. LEAFLET SHAPE:

1 = Lanceolate 2 = Oval 3 = Ovate 4 = Other (Specify) _____

11. LEAFLET SIZE:

☐ 21 = Small ('Amsoy 71'; 'A5312')
3 = Large ('Crawford'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium ('Corsoy 79'; 'Gasoy 17')

12. LEAF COLOR:

☐ 21 = Light Green ('Weber'; 'York')
3 = Dark Green ('Gnome'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium Green ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton')

13. FLOWER COLOR:

☐ 2

1 = White

2 = Purple

3 = White with purple throat

14. POD COLOR:

☐ 2

1 = Tan

2 = Brown

3 = Black

15. PLANT PUBESCENCE COLOR:

☐ 1

1 = Gray

2 = Brown (Tawny)

16. PLANT TYPES:

☐ 21 = Slender ('Essex'; 'Amsoy 71')
3 = Bushy ('Gnome'; 'Govan')

2 = Intermediate ('Amarco'; 'Braxton')

17. PLANT HABIT:

☐ 31 = Determinate ('Gnome'; 'Braxton')
3 = Indeterminate ('Nebsoy'; 'Improved Pelican')

2 = Semi-Determinate ('Will')

18. MATURITY GROUP:

☐ 6

1 = 000

2 = 00

3 = 0

4 = I

5 = II

6 = III

7 = IV

8 = V

9 = VI

10 = VII

11 = VIII

12 = IX

13 = X

19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

BACTERIAL DISEASES:

☐Bacterial Pustule (*Xanthomonas phaseoli* var. *sojensis*)☐ 1Bacterial Blight (*Pseudomonas glycinea*)☐Wildfire (*Pseudomonas tabaci*)

FUNGAL DISEASES:

☐ 1Brown Spot (*Septoria glycines*)Frogeye Leaf Spot (*Cercospora sojae*)☐

Race 1

☐

Race 2

☐

Race 3

☐

Race 4

☐

Race 5

☐

Other (Specify)

☐Target Spot (*Corynespora cassicola*)☐ 1Downy Mildew (*Peronospora trifoliorum* var. *manshurica*)☐Powdery Mildew (*Microsphaera diffusa*)☐ 1Brown Stem Rot (*Cephalosporium gregatum*)☐Stem Canker (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *caulivora*)

19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant) (Continued)

FUNGAL DISEASES: (Continued)

☒ 1 Pod and Stem Blight (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var; *sojae*)

☐ Purple Seed Stain (*Cercospora kikuchii*)

☐ Rhizoctonia Root Rot (*Rhizoctonia solani*)

Phytophthora Rot (*Phytophthora megasperma* var. *sojae*)

☒ 2 Race 1 ☒ 2 Race 2 ☒ 2 Race 3 ☒ 1 Race 4 ☒ 1 Race 5 ☒ 2 Race 6 ☒ 2 Race 7

☒ 2 Race 8 ☒ 2 Race 9 ☐ Other (Specify) _____

VIRAL DISEASES:

☐ Bud Blight (Tobacco Ringspot Virus)

☐ Yellow Mosaic (Bean Yellow Mosaic Virus)

☐ Cowpea Mosaic (Cowpea Chlorotic Virus)

☐ Pod Mottle (Bean Pod Mottle Virus)

☐ Seed Mottle (Soybean Mosaic Virus)

NEMATODE DISEASES:

Soybean Cyst Nematode (*Heterodera glycines*)

☐ Race 1 ☐ Race 2 ☒ 1 Race 3 ☒ 1 Race 4 ☐ Other (Specify) _____

☐ Lance Nematode (*Hoplolaimus Colombus*)

☐ Southern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne incognita*)

☐ Northern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne Hapla*)

☐ Peanut Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne arenaria*)

☐ Reniform Nematode (*Rotylenchulus reniformis*)

☐ OTHER DISEASE NOT ON FORM (Specify): _____

20. PHYSIOLOGICAL RESPONSES: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

☒ 1 Iron Chlorosis on Calcareous Soil

☐ Other (Specify) _____

21. INSECT REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

☐ Mexican Bean Beetle (*Epilachna varivestis*)

☐ Potato Leaf Hopper (*Empoasca fabae*)

☐ Other (Specify) _____

22. INDICATE WHICH VARIETY MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT SUBMITTED.

CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY	CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY
Plant Shape	S39-93	Seed Coat Luster	S39-93
Leaf Shape	9441 (Pioneer)	Seed Size	Mitchell
Leaf Color	S39-93	Seed Shape	S45-01
Leaf Size	S42-40	Seedling Pigmentation	Hodgson 78

23. GIVE DATA FOR SUBMITTED AND SIMILAR STANDARD VARIETY: Paired Comparison Data

VARIETY	NO. OF DAYS MATURITY	PLANT LODGING SCORE	CM PLANT HEIGHT	LEAFLET SIZE		SEED CONTENT		SEED SIZE G/100 SEEDS	NO. SEEDS/ POD
				CM Width	CM Length	% Protein	% Oil		
Submitted	129	2.0	89	7.5	11.5	36.0	21.7	14.2	2-3
Williams 82 Name of Similar Variety	130	2.5	107	8.8	11.5	36.1	22.0	15.3	2-3

PUBLICATIONS USEFUL AS REFERENCE AIDS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM:

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4. Payne, R.C. and L.F. Morris. 1976. Differentiation of soybean cultivars by seedling pigmentation patterns. J. Seed Technol. 1: 1-19.

EXHIBIT D

Additional Description of the Variety

Soybean variety S39-99 is a late Group III cultivar maturing about the same as Williams 82. It has excellent emergence and is resistant to Races 1-3, 6-9 of Phytophthora megasperma.

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EXHIBIT E

Statement of the Basis of the Applicant's Ownership

The soybean variety S39-99 was developed by the Northrup King Co. soybean breeding staff from germplasm sources cited in Exhibit A of this application. Northrup King Co. believes that the variety is novel as defined in the Plant Variety Protection Act and, therefore, that Northrup King Co. is the sole owner of the variety.